DPCO, 1995. Monitoring of prices of non-Scheduled formulations is an ongoing exercise undertaken by the NPPA. The objective of Drug price control and monitoring is to ensure adequate availability of medicines at reasonable prices in the country.

PCPIR at Dahej

36. SHRI VIJAYKUMAR RUPANI: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has finalized techno-feasibility on the proposal of Gujarat Industrial Development Corporation for setting up Petroleum Chemicals and Petro-chemicals Investment Region (PCPIR) at Dahej in Gujarat;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the time period scheduled for setting up PCPIR at Dahej?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI B.K. HANDIQUE): (a) to (c) We have received a proposal from Government of Gujarat for setting up a Petroleum, Chemicals and Petrochemicals Investment Region (PCPIR) at Dahej spread over an area of 453 Sq. Kms. Inter ministerial consultation has been completed in respect of the proposal and the same is now being put up for recommendation of the High Powered Committee.

Award of contracts for research work

†37. SHRI JAI PARKASH AGGARWAL: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) detail of the contracts awarded to advisors, non-governmental organizations, educational and research organizations under his Ministry during the last three years, year-wise;

(b) whether the research contracts have been shown on the website of the Ministry;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the criteria adopted for awarding contracts?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI B.K. HANDIQUE): (a) Details of the research projects granted by the Department of Fertilizers during the last three years, year-wise, to renowned educational and research organisations of the country, under their Science and Technology (S and T) scheme, are at Statement-I. (*See* below)

Details of research projects granted by Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals to the National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (NIPER), SAS Nagar, during the last 3 years, year-wise, are given at Statement-II. (*See* below)

(b) and (c) Relevant details of these research projects are available on the website of the Departments.

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(d) The project proposals received from renowned research organisations are first technically appraised and then placed before the 'Screening Committee' of the Department of Fertilizers. The project proposals finalised by the Screening Committee are put up before the "Project Approval Committee" of the Department under the Chairmanship of Secretary (Fertilizers) for final approval.

The grant in Aid given to NIPER, SAS Nagar, by Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals was based on technical evaluation by the Department and IFD concurrence.

Statement-I

Details of Research Projects for last three years of Department of Fertilizers

Sl. No.	Name of the Institute	Title of the project	Year
1	2	3	4
1.	IIP Dehradun	New Absorption Based Project for CO2 Recovery	2005-06
2.	IIT Delhi	Studies on Chemical Desorption of Carbon Dioxide in Packed Columns.	2005-06
3.	IIT Kharagpur	In-situ reaction and separation of Steam Reforming Hydrocarbons Product mixture in Membran Reactor.	2005-06
4.	IICT Hydrabad	Photocatalytic Synthesis of urea using atmospheric CO2,N2, H2 and solar energy.	2005-06
5.	IIT Delhi	Pilot Plant Study on Coiled Flow Inverters Ph.II.	2005-06
6.	Central Salt and Marine Chemicals Research Institute, Bhavnagar, Gujarat	Utilization of Distiller Waste (Aqueous Cacl2/Nacl) of Soda Ash Industry for production of Muriate of Potash from Bittern Generated as By-Product of Salt, —Central Salt & Marine Chemicals Research Institute, Bhavnagar, Gujarat	2006-07
7.	BITS, Pillani (Goa Campus	Techno-Economic Feasibility Studies on an alternative process route for removal of Methonol, Ammonia and Carbon dioxide from process condensate water in a Fertilizer Ammonia Plant, BITS, Pilani.	2006-07
8.	BITS, Pilani (Goa Campus)	Application of Life Cycly Assessment (LCA) to diammonium Phosphate (DAP) Plant	2007-08
9.	FCI Aravali	Promoting Mineral Gypsum as fertilizers.	2007-08

1	2	3	4
10.	Project Development of India (PDIL)	Technical audit of Fertilizer Plants	2007-08
11.	Project Development of India (PDIL)	Setting up of Pilot Plant for Recovery of Nickel from Spent Catalysts	2007-08

Statement-II

Details of Projects for last three years of Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals

National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (NIPER) was granted Grant-in-Aid after getting the Technical Evaluation and IFD approval for undertaking the following Research Activities during 2005-06 and 2006-07

2005-06

(i) Preparation of Standards of impurities and degradation products;

(ii) Targeting Oxide Stress-Advanced Glycatien end products Pathway in Diabetic Neuropathy;

(iii) Production of Chiral Precursor(S)-1-(2-Thienyl);

(iv) Development of Novel Anti Parastic Agents Design and synthesis;

2006-07

(v) Design Synthesis and Biological Evaluation of New Chemical Entities as Anti-Inflammatory Agents:

(vi) Green Technology for Synthesis of Cardiovascular Drugs.

2007-08

Nil

Subsidy to Madras Fertilizers Ltd.

38. SHRI TAPAN KUMAR SEN:
SHRI PRASANTA CHATTERJEE:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Tariff Commission's recommendations on the issue of subsidy for complex fertilizers have been received by Department of Fertilizers in December, 2007;

(b) if so, the details thereof and its effect on the viability of Madras Fertilizers;

(c) whether it is a fact that a financial restructuring proposal of the company is pending before the Government since long; and

(d) if so, by when this will be finalized and taken up for implementation?